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Claims 1-20 have been allowed.

In response to a March 18, 2004 telephone call from the Examiner, applicants submit this supplemental amendment. As suggested by the Examiner to overcome double patenting, Applicants have canceled each embodiment where R<sup>1</sup> and R<sup>2</sup> is -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>a</sub>-OH in claim 19; where W<sup>5</sup> and X<sup>5</sup> are -C((CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>a</sub>OH)<sub>2</sub> and -C((CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>a</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H)<sub>2</sub> in claims 2, 3, 5, 6, 19, and 20; and amended claims 3, 6, and 20 to recite that W<sup>5</sup> and X<sup>5</sup> are -C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>.

Applicants submit that no new matter has been added. Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to contact the undersigned if applicants' understanding is incorrect.

**CONCLUSION**

Applicants do not believe any fee is due with this submission, however, the Examiner is authorized to charge any fee due to Deposit Account No. 23-3000.

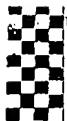
The Examiner is invited to contact applicants' undersigned representative with any questions.

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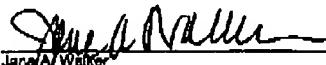
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